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Respectfully submitted,

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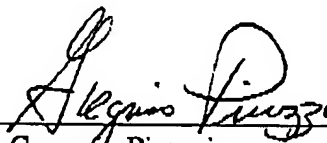
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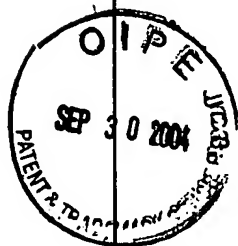
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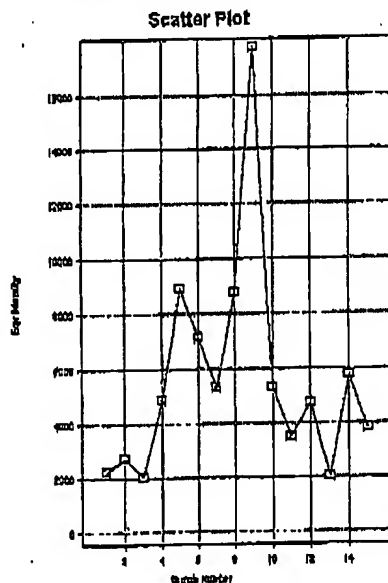
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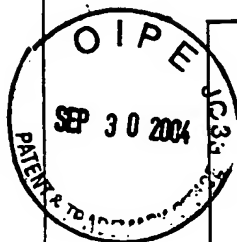
Isolation of AA447527

- Two clones isolated
 - Lung library (Origene library)
 - 3.8 kb In length
 - Mast cell library (constructed at GLGC)
 - GeneTrapper technology
 - 4.0 kb insert
- Small open reading frame
 - 408 nucleotides yields a 130 amino acid protein
 - Protein is very hydrophilic
 - No significant homologies to any known proteins or domains

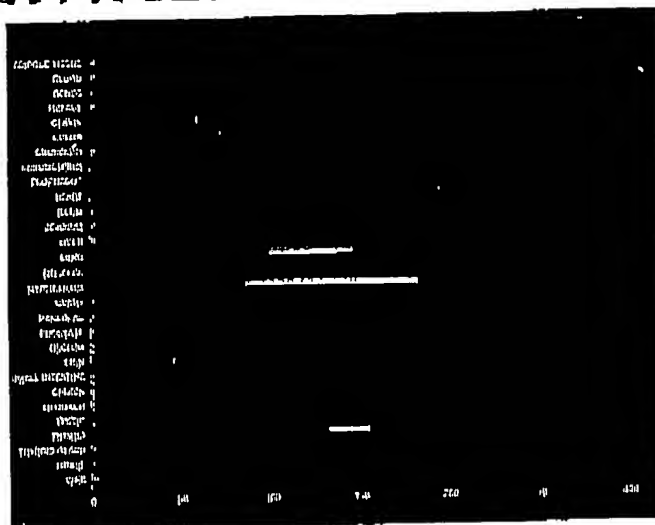


Expression Profile for AA447527





Electronic Northern for AA447527



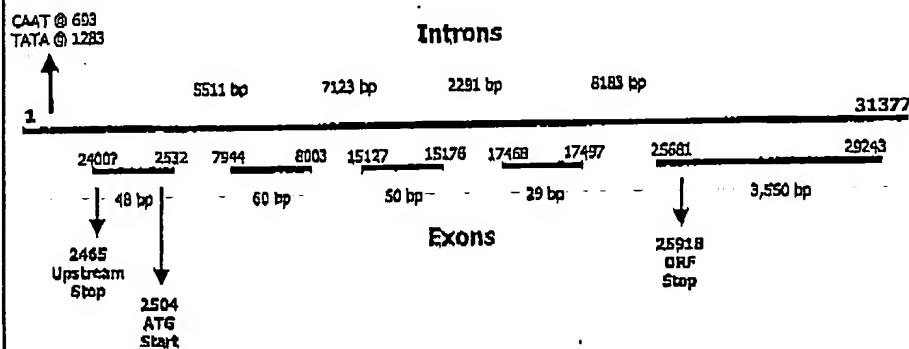
AA447527



- 1: 3 wk MC
- 2: 6 wk activated MC 3hr
- 3: HMC-1 resting, mast cell leukemia cell line
- 4: KU812, basophilic leukemia cell line
- 5: MO7e, megakaryocytic leukemia cell line

AA447527 Gene Organization

Genomic DNA AC074365



1 to 31377 above corresponds to the single contig,
78258-109634 from AC074365

Gene Selection